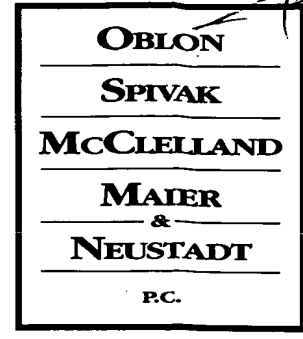


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Group Art Unit: 1654
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Applicants note that the references listed on the accompanying Information Disclosure Statement (Form PTO-1449) were first cited in a communication by a foreign examination authority no more than 3 months prior to the date of filing. Evidencing the date of citation, Applicants enclosed herewith a copy of a communication received from the Russian Patent Office along with an English translation of the same.

Applicants wish to bring the Office's attention to the following references that have been listed on the enclosed Information Disclosure Statement (Form PTO-1449):

1. D.A. Harkevich "Pharmacology" Moscow, "Meditsina", 1987, pages 47-48
2. "Ophthalmic Diseases" by Prof. V.G. Kopaeva, M. "Meditsina", 2002, pages 303-336

At present, copies of these references are unavailable despite efforts to obtain the same. However, Applicants draw the Office's attention to the English translation of a communication received from the Russian Patent Office, which provides a statement of relevancy of the aforementioned references.

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REFERENCES

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